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tracted in what is considered the infected portion of the town, in the neighborhood of the hotels and saloons. It was from this section that a case was removed on July 3, which case had been eight days without medical attention. The infection is still widespread.

Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended July 22, 1905. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; 3 deaths; prevailing disease, malarial fever; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage.
July 15	J. B. Camors	Colon		5	0	(a)
16	Colombia	Mobile	18	0	0	0
17	Herald	Colon		13	0	(a)
19	Origen	New Orleans	24	0	1	(a)
20	Fort Morgan	Mobile	24	3	0	4
21	Katie	do	24	3	0	7

a Not inspected.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Report from Manila—Plague and Smallpox—Recrudescence of plague in Cebu—Arrival of Russian war vessels injured in battle of Korean Straits—Inspection and fumigation of vessels.

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, June 17, as follows:

During the week ended June 10, 1905, the following quarantinable diseases were reported for the city of Manila: Smallpox, 1 case, no deaths; plague, 1 case, 1 death.

CEBU.

During the same period there were 4 cases of plague and 3 deaths reported at Cebu, Philippine Islands.

The situation at Cebu has given rise to considerable apprehension. The history of irregular outbreaks of plague at Cebu, however, shows that even though there may be a decided increase of plague for a few days, it does not necessarily follow that the increase will be maintained. The sudden appearance and disappearance of plague at that port remains inexplicable. In these last cases it was again shown that the victims of the disease had been constant residents of Cebu for a number of months prior to their having contracted the disease, thus showing that the disease was not introduced from without, and that it did not pass the maritime quarantine inspection at that port.

This last outbreak has, however, aroused the municipal authorities from their former indifference. Five hundred dollars was appropriated by the municipality of Cebu for the purpose of rat catching and the institution of other sanitary measures.

The Russian war vessels.—Upon the morning of June 4, 1905, three Russian war vessels were found in Manila Harbor awaiting quarantine inspection. The vessels had just taken part in a naval engagement in